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GREETINGS!

President's Page

Deputy Doug and I seem to be on the same page. Last time we were simultaneously bemoaning our computer woes. This time we're involved with household hassles. My kitchen project is nearly finished, but it is still taking up oodles of time and is one reason this issue is late. As club member Robert Bongiovanni (who also did a kitchen remodel recently) commiserates, it's that last 10% of the project that takes 90% of the time. Still, everything should be done soon, and a phone call to Doug this morning confirmed that his septic tank problems will soon be solved as well...so, on to other subjects!

Round sales have been brisk thus far. Thanks to many of you who have sent notes regarding the design. To quote two, Michelle Burke writes, "This round will be a complete sell out! This is a home run on design! It's the cutest design yet...." And Larry Pung writes, " Great design. Simple but eye-catching and even a little sexy."

If you haven't already placed your order, make sure to do so while you can still request your club number on your plain silver round. Enameled rounds are consecutively serial numbered (always have been), so you will receive the number you've had in the past if we hear from you in time. Please order on the form in this issue, or return the 'peachy' colored one sent separately several weeks ago. A distressing note from Bill Haffner: he mailed an entry for the design contest, but it never arrived.

I heard by way of the Solano Silver Round Club (SSRC) of the death of one of our mutual members. Rodney Baker, IASAC #837 passed away recently, and his family has been sent condolences on behalf of the club.

Regarding SSRC, if you an avid collector of rounds, you may be interested in joining that organization. They are looking for new members and are based in Fairfield, California. For more information, please write to them at P.O. Box 3518, Fairfield CA 94533.

Our numbers have decreased somewhat, in spite of Secretary-Treasurer Joe's valiant efforts to get members to renew. Every year it's a chore to collect dues and we so appreciate those of you who send in your renewals faithfully and on time. If you know of anyone interested in joining IASAC, please let Joe know.

After much discussion, the board has terminated two members for non-compliance on several matters. The Facebook page was shut down some time ago because of negative comments from them and neither bothered to reply to two different certified mailings over a long period of time. Several of our club dies are in the possession of one of

these individuals, and he refused to respond, much less negotiate their return. Dies are the property of the club (please see the Bylaws, Article V, Sections 1 & 2), as well as submissions for the design contest. We had little recourse but to cancel their memberships.

Please note the new offerings from several club members who have struck out on their own with new mints. See what's available on the New Issues pages and give them your support. It's a great thing to see!

Congratulations to Simcha Kuritzky for his outstanding "Best of Show" exhibit at the National Money Show in Denver in mid-May. His award was for 'Numismatic Polygons.' Kuritzky culled many coins from a world type set that he has since sold, and by doing additional research into world coin catalogs. "I wanted to present the widest possible variety of coins – there are coins from countries all over the world," he said. It's conceivable that there might be other coins with many sides. I ended up buying a 15-sided coin made in United Arab Emirates for the exhibit." Other IASAC members winning awards at the show were Neal B. Hatgi, who took a third for his 'Common and Uncommon Elements,' in Class 4 (exhibits showing material linked by design, such as elephants or bridges, or by theme, such as a world's fair); John Wilson who placed second for his exhibit in Class 2 (Economics) for "Wooden Depression Scrip of Blaine, Washington," and his wife Nancy took third in Class 5 (The Arts) with "Electricity: 1896 Style."

Simcha also sent in a correction for his article in earlier issues of The Silver Bugle. He writes, "I didn't notice in the last issue, but you used the title from my first article for the next one. The article in the February and April issues was 'Chaim Gross Ten Commandment Medals.' Also, I'm not certain how this happened, but the first 3 Hebrew letters were mirror-imaged. The remaining 7 letters faced the correct direction, but for the fourth, dalet, you pictured a gimel." Sorry for the mistake, Simcha!

Look for a listing of our auction items in this issue of the Bugle. And, thank you to everyone who made a donation. The auction will be conducted at the annual meeting in Dalton, but for those of you who are unable to attend, please send your Mail Bids by August 1, 2012. Complete details are on the Mail Bid sheet.

The list of motels/hotels in Dalton is again listed for your convenience. Jim Best sent a copy of page 8 from the Jan.-March issue of the BRNA Journal, with a great article announcing our IASAC meeting in August. Hopefully we'll see a number of dealers with silver art on their tables!

Enjoy your summer, and perhaps your travels will take you to Dalton!

Nancy Yee

iasacnancy@comcast.net

TREASURY UPDATE

Previous Balance	$10,682.45
Income	
Membership / Renewals	$425.00
Club Store Sales	$20.00
Donations	$10.00
	$455.00
Expenses	
Postage	$64.08
Stationary	$332.64
Bank Supply Order	$69.90
Club Medallion Expenses	
Silver Purchase	$3,202.00
Medallion Die Casting	$450.00
Publishing *The Silver Bugle* April 2012 (Vol.28)	$700.32
	$4,818.94
New Balance	**$6,318.51**

I would like to thank Ron Nivins - Precious Metals Club and Don Eubanks for their generous donations while renewing this year.

220 copies of this Newsletter have been mailed to members.

Welcome - New Members

883	Chris Mendola	(Yee)	Illinois
884	Kevin Gatzlaff	(Clanin)	Indiana

V.P. Corner

By Doug Jennings

This past weekend was the three day spring Michigan State Numismatic Show. It was held at the Dearborn Hyatt Regency Hotel and Convention Center. To say that there was not a lot of traffic would be an understatement. It could have been because of the weather which was really nice one day, and then turned cool and rainy the next. Or it could be the result of the economic conditions that still exist in Michigan. Or it could have just been an aberration that the planets didn't align correctly, but it couldn't have happened at a more inopportune time for me because I needed to sell some things to help cover the cost of some major home improvements/emergencies.

I shared a table with Robert Williams who is a tokens and medals dealer. Because he is kind enough to let me share his table, I try not to bring any medals or tokens that would compete with his inventory. In the past, I have brought silver related items, whether they are rounds, bars, oddities, foreign, or whatever I think the public might be interested in buying. This time was no different.

You know you are in trouble when you start digging out the oddities and/or rarities that you, as a collector, swore would be the last things you would sell. Some of the things I took to sell were an album of round Olympic Winter Games .999 medals, Marshall Islands-Space and Exploration rounds .999 AR, Cayman Islands-Kings of England in silver and gold, Turks and Caicos-Enameled Hummingbird silver and gold rounds, South African K-Rands 5oz. Commemoratives, Papua New Guinea Birds of Paradise set in silver and gold, a 2 piece Isiah Thomas of the Detroit Pistons .999 AR set in its own holder, Pirates of the Caribbean set, and more and more and more. You get the idea.

Now for those of you that live in the country and have a septic tank and septic/leach/drainage bed, you know that those are things that you don't want to go bad or get plugged up because when they do, you are in deep doo-doo, both literally and figuratively. When we built our house, we built on sand with nothing but lots of sand and sand burrs. So, we planted grass, then a few shrubs, then a few trees (elms and maples), then 37 years passed and we couldn't flush a toilet without getting a basement full of …., well, you know. So among the items I took to sell were some "Adult" bars/rounds as they are listed in the guidebook. I figured that they were unusual and I had never seenany on the bourse floor in the past. Also, Bob has some Seated Liberty dollars that have been carved into what some call "Potty Dol-

lars" (think of Hobo nickels, only Liberty is seated on a commode). He keeps them in a special folder and only brings them out for the collectors that ask for them. I brought these adult bars thinking that they would sell quickly and with a premium that was above what most dealers were selling common .999 AR bars/rounds. This would have been a great idea except that one of the old regular dealers had passed away and a new dealer was set up in his place. Of course, this dealer came loaded with silver .999 rounds/bars and ADULT oriented material. I know many of you are not interested in this kind of material, but it does carry more of a premium for those collectors that do. Also, it has its own category in Archie's books. I had the Chinese nude rounds with the year of the dog, monkey, tiger, etc. I had the Zodiac Beauties rounds from the Connnoiseur's Club-limited edition. I had the "Ribald Classics of the Master Artists" by the same mint. I had Marilyn Monroe in a round and bar form, Crown Mint Beauties, and Holiday Beauties in bar forms, the World Wide Mint-Marilyn Monroe, the Dr. Peeper's 12 month Fitness Program, the USSC-Women's Liberation bar, and the Sailor's Dream-1973 by the Mother-Lode Mint, plus others. This other dealer had 1 oz. up to 10 oz. and larger bars and rounds with adult content on them. There was no way I could compete with all of the inventory he had showing in his case, so I didn't sell any of my "Adult" material. (The main reason was I didn't think they should be on public display with children walking the bourse floor, but I guess I'm just too old fashioned for this day and age.) He did have one of the most interesting rounds I have ever seen. This might sound like sacrilege after I have told you what I was trying to sell, but he had a German Thaler-1 kilo puzzle piece which was a round that had a gold-plated .999 AR center of Christ with 12 additional puzzle pieces of the 12 Apostles surrounding it in -June999 AR. I tried to swap my 6 piece Cayman Islands-Coronation Set (KM42-47) in .500 AV which is approximately 1.09 AGW and a $100 for the puzzle, but he wouldn't go for it. Really with all of the crap I have going on right now with my house's septic and roof, I'm better off.

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible in Dalton. I made my reservations today, so now I have to be there!
Until next time, keep collecting that silver that you like and want.

Deputy Doug
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doug_jennings@hotmail.com

IASAC STORE

This listing is for current items on hand. There is a limit of one/member for any variety. All orders subject to prior sale. If you are interested in selling your bars/rounds back to the club, please email iasacnancy@comcast.net or write to the address at the bottom of this page. Thanks for supporting IASAC!

IASAC-16	2000 Sacramento or Bust (round)		
	1 Bronze	no serial #	$12
	1 Bronze postal cover	no serial #	$12
IASAC-19	2003 Denver Mint		
	1 Bronze	no serial #	$12
IASAC-20	2004 Dalton Convention		
	2 Enameled Silver	serial #d	$65/ea
	3 Bronze	no serial #	$10/ea
IASAC-23	2007 Indianapolis Race Car		
	Bronze	no serial #	$7/ea
IASAC-24	2008 Baltimore Crab Cake		
	3 Bronze	no serial #	$8/ea
IASAC-25	2009 Los Angeles Convention		
	4 Bronze	no serial #	$8/ea
IASAC-26	2010 Las Vegas Convention		
	Bronze	no serial #	$6/ea
IASAC-27	2011 Chicago Convention (Bar)		
	5 Bronze	no serial #	$7/ea
IASAC	Bottle Cap Key Chain, free you pay postage		$1/ea
IASAC	Bottle Cap Magnet, ltd. edition of 50, postpaid		$5/ea
IASAC	Ten-year pin, enameled, postpaid		$10/ea
IASAC	T-shirts, royal blue, sizes S-M-L, postpaid		$15/ea

Please add $5 postage & insurance for one or two items/$6 for three or more.
Mail to: IASAC, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415.

2012 IASAC Round Order Form

Introducing the finished artwork for the 2012 IASAC round, designed by Nancy Yee who will receive the first strike of the unit numbered 000. The prize will be awarded at the annual meeting in Dalton, Georgia in August when the rounds are officially distributed.

If you haven't already ordered, please do so now. We will only be able to hold your club number until July 1.

Support IASAC and order now!

Name _____ IASAC # _____

Address _____

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Quantity		Total
_____	Enameled, serial-numbered .999 fine silver round(s) at $62.50 each	_____
_____	Serial-numbered .999 fine silver (round)s at $47.50 each	_____
_____	Antique bronze round(s), no serial number at $6.00 each	_____
	Postage & insurance: Add $5 for ½ items, $8 for ¾ & $12 for more	_____
_____	I will pick up my order at the meeting in Dalton no postage required	
	GRAND TOTAL	_____

MAIL with PAYMENT to:
IASAC, P.O. Box 28415,
Seattle WA 98118-8415

Meet your New Trustees 2012-2014

Current trustee **Patti Finner** has decided to step down. She is having both knees replaced this spring/summer, and she's now listening to her family's requests that she slow down and spend more time with the grandkids.

Randy Guberman notifed us earlier that he would step down for medical reasons.

Patti will be taking one final look at our Bylaws to make sure they're in order, and Randy has one last article (at least in his capacity as a trustee) in this issue. We'll miss them both. Thanks to both of them for their many years of service.

We have had two others step up to the plate and offer to help. Here are thumbnail sketches and longer resumes for our five trustees. At this point, all five are planning to be at the annual meeting in Dalton. That is a rare occasion!

Ladies first, **Phyllis Clanin**: "I would like to be a trustee because of the judging of the bars and meeting other officers and the fellowship of the people. I have been a member, I am sure, over ten years."

Walter Thomas: "I've been a member of IASAC for 20 years and have attended most of the annual meetings since joining. I have a good mutual understanding on club issues with officers and trustees. I've contributed many photos and information for the guide books."

Jim Best: "In addition to holding the position of IASAC trustee for several years, I have also been president (two terms), and vice president. I have been a member since 1986 when I attended the second convention in Cincinnati, Ohio and have attended numerous conventions when possible, the last being the 25th annual convention in Las Vegas. I feel the organization does a good job in its endeavors to tell the collectors that art bars are more than just bullion, however, they need to be educated and what better way than to be a member of IASAC. I attend many coin shows throughout the southeast and spread the word about the organization as often as possible. I have manned a table on behalf of IASAC at the annual FUN shows and will be doing the same for the summer show in July 2012 as well as winter show in January 2013. Thank you for your consideration and hope to see you at the annual convention in Dalton, Georgia this coming August."

Mike Sprouse: "I am willing to serve as a trustee and to support the IASAC in any way that I can. I appreciate the hard work put in by our president and secretary-treasurer to expand the club and keep it interesting and am happy to do my part. Silver bar collecting is a growing hobby and there is still much room for expansion. IASAC fills an important vacuum in providing info about new issues and the hobby in general. As the largest online dealer in silver art bars and rounds it pleases me to have some input into the hobby through IASAC."

Randy Rush, who has also volunteered to serve as trustee, has provided us with a thorough biography as well as a photo of himself.

"I will be honored to serve our club. I am a ten+ year member of IASAC, #481. I have been collecting silver art bars for over twenty years. I attend most all the shows in my tri-state area. I am 49 years of age and have been married to my wife Teresa for 27 years. I have a son Dustin, daughter-in-law Charolette, and two grandsons Andrew & Devin. We live in northwest Georgia in the small town of Summerville. I was born in Savannah, lived in Reidsville ten years and moved to Summerville in 1976. I am very blessed to still have both my mom Gail and my dad Derrell. I have one sister Teri, two nieces and six great nieces and nephews.

I am self-employed as a farmer and seller on Ebay, 'luckyman188' since 2000. I am a Top Rated Silver Power Seller with 100% positive feedback and 5-star ratings in all five categories. I believe in the 'Golden Rule.' My reputation and integrity mean more to me than making a dollar. Some additional work history: I worked 25 years as a trained Meat Specialist serving as Manager the last 12 years. I have also been a professional truck driver and have worked in a school bus factory. I am Ambassador of our local homeless shelter, and have volunteered at countless fundraisers as coordinator and Master of Ceremonies for worthy causes such as St. Jude Children's Hospital, Shriner's Children's Hospital, churches and needy people in our community. I enjoy helping to host cruise-ins, providing music and entertainment.

I am Baptist by faith and am an active member of Midway Baptist Church in Summerville where I serve as sound man/van driver/cook, and wherever else I am needed. I am a 32nd Degree Freemason and member of Lyerly Lodge #338 where I have served as Master for the years 2004 and 2006. I am currently Director of Work, a position I have held for seven years; a member of Trion Chapter #19 Royal Arch Masons where I served as High Priest for three years, and a Scottish Rite Valley of Atlanta member.

I will do my best to serve and promote our club in a positive, practical and effective manner. I will be accessible to my fellow members and supportive to my fellow club officers. Our club has had some of the best men and women in place to bring the club to where it is today. I will not forget the ones who made it strong."

As often happens, we have just the number of club members running for office as we have openings available, so no election is required, according to our Bylaws, (Article III, Section 3 – All elections shall be held by mail unless the election is uncontested; then no ballot will be issue and one vote will be cast at the general meeting by any non-candidate.). Therefore, the candidates listed below will be voted on as a group and installed at the meeting in Dalton. All five should be in attendance, which is unusual these past several years.

It looks like we have an outstanding group of members who are willing to volunteer on behalf of the club. Please give them your heartfelt support.

Just Humor Me!

Ford Vs. Computers

When you stop and think about all the things a fully loaded auto can do for you, it becomes clear that it's a pretty damned good piece of work. Also you drive your car down the rod at 70+ mph and pass within 5 or 6 feet of another car (or semi) headed in the opposite direction, and not worry about blowouts, brake lock-ups, head light failure, steering lock-ups, all the while sitting in a chair that's probably more comfortable than the one you sit in at your computer.

Computers are wonderful for all they do, but Brother Bill's comment was reckless.

At a recent computer expo (COMDEX) Bill Gates reportedly compared the computer industry with the auto industry and stated, 'If Ford had kept up with technology like the computer industry has, we would all be driving $25 cars that got 1,000 miles to the gallon.'

In response to his comments, Ford issued a press release stating: 'If Ford had developed technology like Microsoft, we would all be driving cars with the following characteristics:

1. For no reason whatsoever, your car would crash.....Twice a day.
2. Every time they repainted the lines in the road, you would have to buy a new car.
3. Occasionally your car would die on the freeway for no reason. You would have to pull to the side of the road, close all of the windows, shut off the car, restart it, and reopen the windows before you could continue. For some reason you would simply accept this.
4. Occasionally, executing a maneuver such as a left turn would cause your car to shut down and refuse to restart, in which case you would have to reinstall the engine.
5. MacIntosh would make a care that was powered by the sun, was reliable, five times as fast and twice as easy to drive – but would run on only five percent of the roads.
6. The oil, water temperature, and alternator warning lights would all be replaced by a single 'This Car Has Performed An Illegal Operation' warning light.
7. The airbag system would ask 'Are you sure" before deploying.
8. Occasionally, for no reason whatsoever, your car would lock you and refuse to let you in until you simultaneously lifted the door handle, turned the key and grabbed hold of the radio antenna....
9. Every time a new car was introduced, car buyers would have to learn how to drive all over again because none of the controls would operate in the same manner s the old car.
10. You'd have to press the 'Start' button to turn the engine off.

P.S. I'd like to add that when all else fails, you could call 'Customer Service' in some foreign country and be instructed in some foreign language how to fix your car yourself!

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Mike Sprouse, Numismatist Since 1986
Member: ANA, MNS, IASAC, TAMS

The Price of Silver Contest 2012

A Prize will be given to the club member who comes closest to guessing the price of silver at the close of business on

June 30, 2012

One Entry per Member

Send your guess to
IASAC Secretary-Treasurer Joe Markulics
PO Box 75
Tatamy, PA 18085-0075

Name _____ Member No. _____

Price of Silver _____

Closing Date for Entries is June 15, 2012

Club member No. 827 Steve Moriarty, owner of the website *http://www.silverartbars.com* has requested the help of club members interested in donating information and pictures about silver art bars or rounds, specifically to develop a research site found at *http://research.silverartbars.com.*

Please take a look at the website, if you would like to participate, Steve may be contacted at the following email *moriarts@silverartbars.com.*

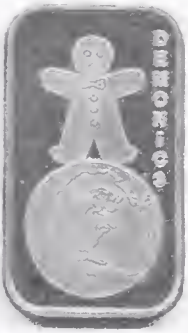
NEW ISSUES

Lately, the New Issues page has been filled with ingots from IASAC members. This time is no exception. Club member #718 Chris Geiner has made the leap from collector to producer with several new bars & several more in the works for release later on this year for his CMG Mint. Chris states, "Basically I like being creative and always have ideas going through my head. Once I get an idea, I can pretty much imagine what it will look like on paper. Then I relate that in exact detail to my graphic designer and he makes it happen. I wanted to bring back the bars that you just don't see anymore. SilverTowne does bars more traditionally and I wanted to bring it back to the 70s-80s feel."

The first issue from CMG is the Good & Evil bar, with the special reverse of a sword thru a skull. The inspiration for this one came from a horror movie. This ingot has a low mintage of 75 non-enameled and 25 enameled. The price is $51 for the non-enameled, serial numbered bar or $107 for the set (only 25 available). The Halloween bar, also seen here is also available with the same mintages at $50 for the silver and $100 with the enameled companion. There is also an antique bronze Halloween bar without serial number (mintage of only 15) for $10 plus shipping. The Halloween bar features the standard CMG Mint reverse with a money bag.

Also available now is an adult-themed birthday girl ingot (sorry, no picture) with the same mintages It also has the money bag reverse. These are priced at $53 for the non-enameled or $112 for the set. Shipping will be $3.50 per order.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris by phone at 419-279-3283. His address for orders is: 840 South Erie Street, Toledo OH 43609, or email him at goldnugget86@aol.com.



2012 IASAC Auction

All lots are one oz., .999 silver unless noted otherwise. There is a minimum bid of $28.50 (the price of silver as of this date 5-26-12) on all items, with the exception of non-silver items, which are clearly noted.
All units are shown actual size.

Please submit a Mail Bid if you are unable to attend the annual meeting in Dalton GA. Mail Bids must be mailed by August 1 ,2012.

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1. WWM-63B Columbus GA, Coca Cola 75th in bronze, donated by Larry Cannon. Minimum bid: $15

2. IASAC-15 Omaha Convention, 1 oz., .999 fine silver, s.n. 187, donated by Bill Haffner. Minimum bid: $60

3. WWM-20 Hank Williams, 1 oz., .999 fine silver, mintage 200. Donated by Mike Sprouse. Minimum bid: $75

4. WWM-18 Eddy Arnold, 1 oz., .999 fine silver, mintage 100. Donated by Mike Sprouse. Minimum bid: $75

5. MEM-5 The Arabian Horse, 1 oz., .999 fine silver, mintage 1000. Donated by Larry & Leslie Bellew.

6. HAM-218B Child's Christmas Memory, bronze in folder. Ltd. edition, Donated by Randy Rush. Minimum bid: $15

7. HAM-95B Slumbering Santa by Norman Rockwell, bronze in folder. Ltd. edition. Donated by Randy Rush. Minimum bid: $15

8. SCL-20G Sir Winston Churchill, gold plated, 1 oz., .999 fine silver. Donated by Nancy Yee. Minimum bid: $50

9. Unlisted 1 gram, International Monetary Mint, .999 fine silver, with bezel. Donated by John Daino. Minimum bid: $5

10. Money clip COL-5 Watergate Gang die attached to money clip. Most likely not silver – a novelty item. Donated by John Daino.
Minimum bid: $10

11. COL-6B Martha Mitchell, bronze. Donated by John Daino. Minimum bid: $8

12.Round Nude eating grapes. Woman's profile on reverse. Donated by Carlton Dodge. Bronze, Societe des Armis de la Medaille, 5 oz., dated 1906. Minimum bid: $40

13. Round Cherub with dove/Peace, 1 oz., sterling. Donated by Jan D. Henke. Minimum bid: $25

14. Round 2003 Fairfield-Vallejo Anheuser Busch, Inc. White Truck, c. 1917, 1 oz., .999 fine silver. Donated by Jan D. Henke.

15. Round USSC Trade Unit, 1 oz., .999 fine silver. Donated by Ken Klein.

16. Round Turn out the Light, the Party's Over, 1 oz., .999 fine silver by AMC. Donated by Jan D. Henke.

17. Round Bass Anglers Sportsman Society of America, 1981. 1 oz., .999 fine silver. Donated by Jan D. Henke.

18. Round North Carolina Tar Heels, NC State University on reverse. 1 oz., .999 fine silver, enameled on obverse. Donated by Jan D. Henke.

19. Round Novelty coin, non-silver with Jimmy Carter & Walter Mondale, 1984 Republican Convention. Donated by John Daino.

20. Round Have a Nice Day, smiley face, enameled, 1 oz., .999 fine silver. Donated by Nancy Yee.

21. Round Millennium 2000, Republic of Liberia, 1 oz., .999 fine silver. Donated by Nancy Yee.

22. Unlisted Arizona 100 Years/The Grand Canyon State, set of three, serial number 27 of 151. One oz., .999 fine silver, 1 oz., .999 fine silver enameled and 1 oz. bronze enameled. Donated by William Doty in Memory of Archie Kidd for the 27th year of IASAC. Minimum bid set by Bill is $110. If unsold, they will be given to Archie's wife Fannie.

2012 IASAC AUCTION

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Silver & reverse.
Enameled versions not shown.

MAIL BID SHEET

There is a MINIMUM BID of $28.50 for all .999 fine silver items, unless they are marked higher.

Bronze, sterling and non-silver items are individually marked with minimum prices.

Please submit this form with your bids, unless you plan to attend the annual meeting in Dalton GA on August 18 at the BRNA show.

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Peak of Pleasure

By Randy Guberman

As collectors, what is there not to like about ingots or rounds?

If you own the fifth or sixth edition of our guide books, you will find approximately 156 entries for silver manufacturing companies. There are thousands of art bars to choose from.

So what's your fancy? Doe anyone have just one favorite?

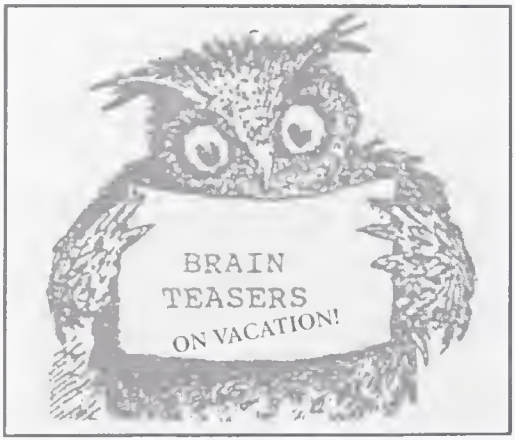
I though I did when I first started collecting. I found out quickly that it just wasn't true. When I would hold a new piece in my hand, my emotions triggered and soon another ounce of silver was in my collection.

So many ways to collect. What's your pleasure?

May your purchases be many and your mistakes be few!!

BRAIN TEASERS is taking a break. Back next time!
Thanks to all who sent in an entry last time.

Gary Fouquet, Kathy Skelton, Lynnae M. Clark & John Varner were the winners!



YOU'RE INVITED

We hope you can plan to attend our annual meeting in Dalton, Georgia.

Here is what we know at this point, so you can begin planning your summer vacation. Show dates for the Blue Ridge Numismatic Association are Aug. 17-19, 2012. The coin show will be held at the NW Georgia Trade & Convention Center at 2211 Dug Gap Battle Rd, Dalton Georgia.

Dalton is located on I-75, 80 miles from Atlanta and 25 miles from Chattanooga. The nearest airport is in Chattanooga, and there are shuttle services available. Contact Groome Chattanooga at 423-954-1400 or 1-800-896-9928. Their website is Groomechattanooga.com.

Also providing shuttle service from Chattanooga is All Aboard Travel. Their phone is 423-499-9977 or go to www.allaboardchatt.com.

IASAC will have a free club table at the show. We are allowed to sell club items, however no other trading may take place at the table.

There will be an educational seminar at 1pm on Saturday, August 18 and our meeting will begin at 3pm.

The following is a list of hotels/motels which are located close to the convention center:

La Quinta Inn & Suites (host hotel), 715 College, phone 706-272-9099 or 1-800-642-4271
Hampton Inn, 1000 Market St., phone 706-226-4333 or 1-800-426-7866
Holiday Inn Express, 745 College, phone 706-217-6200 or 1-800-444-8888
Country Inn & Suites, 903 Westbridge, phone 706-278-9700 or 1-800-456- 4000
Comfort Inn & Suites, 905 Westbridge, phone 706-259-2583 or 1-800-733-7663
Jameson Inn, 790 College, phone 706-281-1880 or 1-800-526-3766
Holiday Inn & Suites, 879 College, phone 706-529-6000 or 1-800-815-2621
Quality Inn, 875 College, phone 706-278-0500 or 1-800-753-6310

You might also want to check out the Dalton Convention & Visitor's Bureau website, which is very helpful. See: www.daltoncvb.com.

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Recent collaboration between Johnson Matthey and the Sunshine Mint resumed the minting of newly-manufactured 1-Ounce silver bars, currently available to any savvy investor wishing to diversify their portfolio.

The BRAND NEW silver bars are minted in the U.S.A. and packaged in an RF heat sealed plastic casing to protect the finish from oxidation or damage. Each contains 1 Troy Ounce of .999 Fine Silver Bullion, engraved with the Johnson Matthey logo, the bars' weight, purity and a unique serial number (Begins with letter "A").

These mint fresh Johnson Matthey 1-Ounce bars are already very popular with precious metal investors, well known in the industry, easy to store and sell when the time comes.

If you haven't already seen them for yourself take a moment to follow up with North American bullion dealers, available today and currently listing for approximately $2.00 over spot.

May each of you be blessed with good health and fortune!

Best Regards, Joe

NEW ISSUES

A series of 'Historic Lighthouses of Hawaii" is now available. The set of elongated copper cents is being offered by Michael Mochizuki. Featured are the Diamond Head Lighthouse of Oahu, Kawaihae Lighthouse of the big island of Hawaii, Kalaupapa Lighthouse of Molokai and Barbers Point Lighthouse of Oahu are included in the set. Cost is $8/set to U. S. addresses. For more details, or to order, write Mochizuki at P.O. Box 512, Aiea HI 96701-0512 or email mmochizuki@hawaii.rr.com.

Florence, Oregon coin dealers George Brower and Terry Woodward are announcing the release of their second annual silver and bronze medals, issued in conjunction with Florence's annual Rhododendron Festival. This year's festival, the 105th, is honoring the 80th anniversary of the Sea Lion Caves, located just north of Florence. The medals depict the caves as they were seen back in the 1930s and reflect the cave's slogan, 'Nothing Short of Wild." The Rhododendron Festival, which is held in May each year since 1907, honors not only the beautiful flower which grows wild locally, but also various events and local landmarks. Last year the festival honored the 75th anniversary of the Siuslaw River Bridge which was depicted on the 2011 medal. For information on obtaining either medal, of which the 2011 is available in very limited numbers, please contact George Brower at 541-997-9202.

Your one FREE 25-word classified ad is always available in a next issue of *The Silver Bugle*, redeemable at anytime during the year.

The next deadline for advertisemetns is July 10, 2012.

Here is my FREE 25-word classified ad
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FOR SALE. $200 Face value casino tokens. One troy pound silver each. Seventeen different. $500 each. Email if interested. John Gillgren, antiquesjg@yahoo.com. Or call 920-254-0909.

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MSN's Annual Coin Show will be held at the St. Charles Convention Center, St. Louis MO, July 26-28, 2012. For more information log on to www.MissouriNumismaticSociety.org.

FOR SALE. Silversword Productions "Birthday Aloha" bars. Very limited edition and some were melted. $45 each plus a few silver & bronze sets for $52. Please add $5 postage & insurance. Make checks payable to Nancy Yee, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415. Mahalo!

WRITE or EMAIL for my bars/rounds catalog - $2.00. Huge website at www.koinpro.com. Ken Potter, P.O. Box 760232, Lathrup Village MI 48076. Phone: 313-255-8415.

DO YOU HAVE SPARE IASAC bars/rounds to sell back to the club? Our club store needs inventory. Please email iasacnancy@comcast.net or write to P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415.

THE NEXT DEADLINE for advertisements is July 10, 2012. Please be sure to include a street address/P.O. box # or phone number along with your email address. Not all of our members have computers. Thanks!

Notes From Nancy's Mailbag...

Regarding the 2012 Round:
Chris Geiner emailed, "Got the IASAC design letter today. Cool! Reminds me of a LA County Fair bar that had some figures on it."

Don Fubanks writes, "Great job on the 2012 round design. Very unique!"

Regarding the weather:
John Gillgren talked about a hail storm looming in the distance when I was on the phone with him the other day, and Randy Guberman wrote to say, "We had a terrible hail storm in early May. $15,000 in damages: roof, siding, screens, gutters, etc. Now the hassle of insurance company and contractors. Hopefully it can be fixed by fall."

At the other end of the receiving line, **Bob Voegele** emails, "It's been crazy around here. I'm an insurance appraiser and I've been working these storm claims, which seems like forever."

Notes from afar:
Michel Bonnaire of France emails, "I'm still well occupied with my job and waiting for a new tour in Africa around June. I'll stay in contact with my family through internet and also follow new of silver bars!! As you can easily imagine, I'll not be available to attend the next convention. Thanks for all you're doing for the club."

In general:
John Daino writes, "Thanks for putting together another great issue of The Silver Bugle. I always look forward to receiving it."

Jan D. Henke writes, "Please excuse all the typos I am sure to make even though I have my nose pressed to the typewriter keys. My vision is greatly diminished." Later on he pleads, "Nancy, would you trade places with me for my next scheduled surgery???? Am to have an orbital decompression procedure on my left eye. They will go behind the eye and remove tissue and bone."
Several days later, while chatting on the phone with him, I regretfully declined! I hope your surgery was successful, Jan.

Always on the hunt:
Bill Haffner, inveterate traveler in search of new and unusual art bars since his retirement, keeps me abreast of everything he's found. His latest foray took him to Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He writes, "I went to see Mike Sprouse last Saturday…I told him "hi" for you. He said "hi" right back. He said he's planning on going to Dalton too….I went to Owensville yesterday to see if he (another dealer) had the LIN 23 that I might have missed before. No luck. I did pick up the two little Simmons bars and the Iwo Jim postage stamp bar. I have been to Iwo Jima on a stopover going to either Japan or Hong Kong. Not much there except Mt. Suratachi. That would be a good place to take a metal detector."

I asked **Mark Abitz** about his mailing label which says "Be kind to ghosts and aliens" and he replied: "I'm not a ghost hunter, but I have a sister in Wisconsin who is. Twenty five years ago my address label said, 'Have a terrific day!' I needed something more memorable, so I came up with my new line, 'Be kind to ghosts and aliens.'

I missed seeing Mark at the PNNA show in April, and he was at another show in May that I was unable to attend. Hopefully we'll connect sometime soon, since we're both in the same state!

Manhattan Beach Centennial Medal Released

A local resident designs the Manhattan Beach Centennial Medal.

At the April centennial carnival, held at the Manhattan Village Mall, Mayor Nick Tell, dressed in traditional early 1900s attire, used the medal to reenact the legendary coin flip that originally named the town.

Two landowners, George Peck and John Merril, couldn't decide between "Shore Acres" and "Manhatten" the coin toss ultimately settled the dispute and "Manhattan" prevailed. "Beach" was added in 1927 to help distinguish the city from other Manhattans around the country.

James Gill, an avid coin collector, has mixed his love for his hometown with his passion for coins, by designing a medal for the city's centennial.

Featured on one side of the medal is a self-shot photograph of the Manhattan Beach pier, the other side includes a surfer, volleyball player and seagull enjoying the ocean.

The low-serial numbered 1 Troy Ounce, .999 Fine Silver frosted proof-like medallion is individually serial numbered at the 12 o'clock position on a double-bar reeded edge and hallmarked at the 6 o'clock position, packaged in a Lucite capsule and placed in a leatherette presentation case with certificate of authenticity from the Northwest Territorial Mint.

Currently, available for $85, brass examples also available for $20, visit www.mb100coin.com to order.

Pictures/Information obtained from http://manhattanbeachcentennialcoin.com

International Association of Silver Art Collectors

The International Association of Silver Art Collectors (IASAC), established in 1985, is dedicated to the silver round and art bar hobbyist, collector, dealer and producer. All persons interested in this unique hobby are invited to join. The club regularly publishes its newsletter, "The Silver Bugle," providing some of the most interesting reading for you, the member. Not only do you receive advanced notice of new rounds and bars, you may also take advantage of specials offered by the many IASAC member-dealers. We also produce limited edition silver bars and rounds for our members, and feature special contests for prizes. Isn't it time for you to take advantage of the benefits available as a member of IASAC?

Yes, I would like to join the largest Silver Art Club in the world. Please enroll me as a member of IASAC.

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Junior members, age 17 and younger are also welcomed, with permission of their parent or guardian. Junior members do not have voting rights, and dues are half that of regular members.

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Mail to: IASAC Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 75, Tatamy PA 18085-0075

☐ By accepting membership in IASAC, I agree to abide by the Bylaws of the club and to act with integrity in all business transactions.

Dues are $20 for the first year; renewals are $15/year. International rates are $30 for the first year; renewals are $20/year. Junior memberships/renewals, domestic or foreign, are half the posted rates.